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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please enter the following amendments.

In the Claims

Please amend claims 1-2, 5, 13, 19-20 and 22 as follows:

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1. (Twice Amended) A method for determining the conformational state of a protein, comprising the steps of:
- contacting a protein with a labeled first binding partner which binds to said protein in a manner dependent on the conformational state of said protein and which generates a signal in a manner dependent on the binding of the first binding partner to the protein, and a labeled second binding partner which binds to said protein in a manner dependent on the conformational state of said protein and which can generate a signal in a manner dependent on the binding of the first binding partner to the protein, wherein said protein and said labeled first and second binding partner are not covalently bound; and